

Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP)
Outcome Monitoring Program (OMP) Implementation Workgroup (IWG) Meeting
SUMMARY
Friday, June 10, 2005
1 P.M. – 2 P.M.

Participants

ADP Staff:

Paul Brower
Sue Cote
Carmen Delgado
Karen DeVoe
Ann Drolette
Marjorie McKisson
Claudio Mejia
Jon Meltzer
Rachelle Repace
Alan Smith
Edith Thacher
Inna Tysoe
Alice Van Ommeren

External Participants:

Tom Avey
Susan Blacksher
Deseree Crevecoer
George Feicht
David Hoang
Tim Kendall
Irene Martinez
Rosaland McNeely
Jim Sorg
Wayne Sugita
Nancy Young

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review – Carmen Delgado

Carmen opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda with the members.

2. Prevention Update – George Feicht and Paul Brower

George Feicht and Paul Brower provided an update on the activities of the Prevention Sub Workgroup. The group is in the second phase of development for prevention CalOMS. In this phase workgroup members are looking at what the utility of the data will be as it starts to come in, the various data sets that will be examined, and types of analysis that can be performed with the data.

The Prevention Sub Workgroup has been working with Joel Phillips as well. Joel has focused the group on two core questions: 1. what analysis can we do with the data we collect? and 2. how can data be processed so counties have access to it?

ADP distributed a memo asking for input from providers and counties on June 10, 2005 regarding Joel's two questions and the work of the Prevention Sub Workgroup thus far toward the California Outcome Monitoring Program (CalOMP). A survey will also be forthcoming regarding CalOMS implementation.

3. CalOMP– Carmen Delgado

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Carmen announced that David Monti is leading out on CalOMP for ADP and is working with Joel Phillips for prevention and Denzel Verardo for treatment. ADP is working toward integrating prevention and treatment strategies in CalOMP. CalOMP will be the vehicle through which CalOMS data, and other data, is analyzed as it comes in.

There was discussion about how CalOMS is related to the proposed SAPT Block Grant changes. The SAPT block grant application will be changing and states will be required to report on National Outcome Measures (NOM) in their applications. However, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration has not yet finalized the new block grant application.

There is a three-year roll-out period for states to begin reporting NOM data. We are in the first year of this roll-out period. CalOMS mirrors the NOMs, which are the new federal data collection requirements for states.

4. Treatment Update – Marjorie McKisson

Marjorie updated members on the timelines for CalOMS implementation. Marjorie also reported the treatment data set is near final; staff have been working on final details related to system design. The county file layout design, which reflects some of the detail in the CalOMS data matrix, will be distributed to counties and direct providers in June along with the final CalOMS data matrix. *(Note: The “CalOMS Data Dictionary” replaced the data matrix. The CalOMS Data Dictionary and the “Input Data File Instructions” were emailed to county administrators and CalOMS contacts within counties and direct providers June 23, 2005.)*

ADP is monitoring counties’ implementation activities via the CalOMS Monthly Report. For those counties that have not yet selected a software developer or have not chosen a system, ADP monitor their progress and share information of possible solutions and interim solutions. Marjorie reminded the group ADP is transitioning to the CalOMS system on January 1, 2006. This means that January CalOMS treatment data is due to ADP on March 15, 2006.

System testing will begin in October, 2006 and be ongoing until implementation. Prevention data collection begins in the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2006 – 2007. There was discussion about what data will be available to counties and direct providers and when the data will be available after CalOMS is implemented.

Alice van Ommeren reported that the Office of Applied Research and Analysis is currently working on outcome reports. Reports will be available on demand to counties and direct providers shortly after implementation. There are several types of reports that will be available to counties and direct

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providers including: error reports, data reports, and acknowledgement of ADP's receipt of data.

Finally, Marjorie reminded members that there will be four regional training sessions provided by CalOMS staff in June. On June 20th a web seminar will be held in Sacramento at ADP; June 24th is the second regional training, which will be held in Santa Rosa; the June 27th regional training will be conducted in San Diego; and the final training will be held in Redding on June 29th.

These regional trainings are geared toward IT and program staff at the county and provider levels. General information will be provided for program staff and technical training will be provided for IT staff.

5. Next Meeting

Topics of discussion will include data quality standards. The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2005, from 1:30 – 3:30 PM and will be held via conference call. The new standing meeting time is 1:30 – 3:30 on the second Friday of each month.